

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ON
BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL OCEANIC
AND ATMOSPHERIC
ADMINISTRATION AND THE UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE
INTERIOR; THE STATE OF
WASHINGTON THROUGH THE
WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF
ECOLOGY; MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN
TRIBE; SUQUAMISH TRIBE,

Plaintiffs,

v.

VIGOR INDUSTRIAL LLC, and
EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Case No. 21-44

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Environment and Natural Resources Division
7600 Sand Point Way NE
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Concurrent with the filing of the Complaint, the United States hereby lodges with the Court, on behalf of all of the parties to this case, a proposed Consent Decree resolving the claims alleged in the Complaint. The proposed Consent Decree is attached to this Notice of Lodging as Attachment A.

Pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 50.7, the decree cannot be entered by the Court until there has been an opportunity for public comment on it. Once the decree has been lodged, the United States must publish in the Federal Register a notice of the lodging of the decree. The public will be given 30 days to comment on the decree. Once the 30-day comment period has expired, the Plaintiffs may then initiate entry of the decree. If the Plaintiffs initiate entry of the decree, they will provide to the Court a response to any public comments received.

Accordingly, the United States requests that the Court take no action on the Consent Decree at this time. After expiration of the comment period, the Plaintiffs will initiate entry of the decree, if appropriate in light of public comments, and will inform the Court of any public comments and the Plaintiffs' responses to the comments.

Dated: January 14, 2021

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on January 14, 2021, a copy of the foregoing, NOTICE OF LODGING CONSENT DECREE, was served by the Court's CM/ECF system upon all persons registered to receive filings in this matter. In addition, I served a copy via electronic mail to the following counsel:

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